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Title: IMPROVEMENTS IN OR RELATING)
TO FASTENING MACHINES)
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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.98 the Applicants hereby submit:

- (a) the attached list of prior art, which in the reasonable opinion of Applicants may be material to patentability of the claimed invention, within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and/or which has been cited in the Search Report prepared by the European Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application;
- (b) a copy of the Search Report, which is attached for the U.S. Examiner to know the first opinion of the European Examiner and the portions of the references found pertinent by the Examiner; and
 - (c) a copy of the references cited under (a).

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With respect to the foreign patent references which are not in the English language, it is submitted that:

- no US counterpart has been detected for German reference DE 29719744 is believed that the drawings therein are sufficient to illustrate the relevance of the reference.

The Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action. Applicant believes no fee is due at this time.

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Consideration and citation of the references are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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